THE PRELIMINARIES TO THE Crown of Scotland.

As Propoſed by the

Grand Committee.

Licenſed and Entred according to Order.

SIR,

THE *Committee for Setling the Government, which was appointed to draw up the Ordinances and Preliminaries for the Setling the Throne, have agreed on the following Preliminaries:*

I. That all who ſhall ſucceed to the Imperial Throne of this Kingdom, ſhall be of, and publickly profeſs the true Reformed Religion preſently profeſſed in this Kingdom.

II. That they ſhall Marry none but thoſe that profeſs the ſaid Religion.

III. That before they enter to the Exerciſe of the Legal Power, or Adminiſtration of the Government, that they be bound to take the Coronation-Oath; And that all Deeds done by them before their taking the ſaid Oath, be null, and the Subjects not obliged to obey them.

IV. That the Government of the Church by Biſhops, be Aboliſhed, and Presbytery Eſtabliſhed.

V. That all Officers of State, Privy-Councellors, Lords of Seſſion, and all Officers of the Army, and Governours of Forts,

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Forts, be named by the King with Conſent of Parliament; and in the Intervals of Parliaments, by Conſent of the Council; and ſuch Nominations in the Interval of Parliament, only endure to the next; and if not approved by them, to be null, and all Commiſſions otherwiſe granted, to be null.

VI. That the Power of the Militia, and of Peace and War, be in the King and Parliament.

VII. That in Forfaultures for Treaſon, the King and his Donators ſhall be obliged to pay the forfaulted Perſons lawful Debts contracted before the Forfaulture; at leaſt their Eſtates ſhall be liable therefore: And the Sub-Vaſſals ſhall incur no hazard by their Superiours Forfaultures.

VIII. All Waird-holdings, and its Effects, extinguiſhed.

IX. That no Money be levied, without Conſent of Parliament.

X. Free-Quarters and locality for Soldiers, be diſcharged.

XI. That ſome Law be made like that of the *Habeas Corpus* in *England*; And that Subjects be not Impriſoned *cauſa indicta*, and kept in Priſon not tried.

XII. That there be frequent, or Triennial Parliaments.

XIII. That Treaſons be more ſpecially deſigned. That the Subjects be not Forfaulted upon frivolous Grounds.

XIV. That the impoſing of Arbitrary and Exorbitant Fines be diſcharged.

XV. That the Judges Places be *ad vitam aut culpam*.

The Committee is to report the foreſaid Grievances or Preliminaries Thurſday *next.*

Sir, Yours at Command.

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